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SPECIAL DISPENSATION TO KB AND NCCF
Jha Shri Raghunath;Vijay Krishna Shri

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his ministry has received a proposal from DoPT for according special dispensation for Kendriya Bhandar and National Consumer Cooperative Federation with regard to Government purchases;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the dispensation proposed would protect and safeguard Kendriya Bhandar as Kendriya Bhandar has employed a large number of personnel; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred in reply to Parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. #168 to be answered on 9th March, 2007, regarding Special Dispensation to KB and NCCF, tabled by Shri Vijoy Krishna and Shri Raghunath Jha.

A proposal has been received from DoPT for giving preferential treatment to Kendriya Bhandar (KB) and National Cooperative Consumers` Federation (NCCF). The said proposal mainly seeks to authorise Kendriya Bhandar and National Cooperative Consumers` Federation to supply all items required for office consumption up to Rs. 1 lakh, on each occasion, on the basis of single quotation till 31.3.2010, with responsibility for ensuring reasonableness of the rates being placed on these organizations. The special dispensation has been sought by DoPT to help Kendriya Bhandar in improving its financial position and enabling it to restructure its alternate business strategy in a given time span. The above proposal is under examination of this Ministry.